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NEW S'HAI DRAMA DEVELOPING

Western Powers' Condition For A New Germany

Paris, May 25.—The three Western Foreign Ministers at today's four-hour meeting demanded the political unification of Germany as a condition for economic unity in the Reich, according to French sources.

AMAZING HIGH SEAS EPISODE

Haifa, May 25.—Seven young Jews are feared lost after a high seas drama in which the captain of an Israel-bound schooner drew a gun and forced his 30 immigrant passengers to strip and jump into the water.

An official police statement, describing the incident tonight, said that 23 had been saved after being in the water for 48 hours.

In the middle of the trip—for which each Jew had paid him \$200—the captain said that he could not continue as he had no landing papers. He told the men that they would have to jump into the water and make for Israel as best they could.

He threw in the sea about 30 wooden barrels tied together to make a raft and one small boat holding five.

At first the Jews refused to jump. The captain and his crew of five drew their guns. The Jews begged the captain to wait until nightfall and then try and approach the coast. But the captain forced them into the water.

The boat meant for five was jolted with 17 persons. The other 13 were on the barrels.

Soon the barrels broke loose and only six—with men hanging on desperately—were made fast to the boat.

When the boat was seen from the coast Israeli marine police arrived on the scene, took the survivors ashore, and went in search of the seven men and barrels, which had floated off.

The police statement did not say whether the seven were saved.—Reuter.

The British, American and French Ministers took this stand in replying to the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Vyshinsky's reiterated denunciation of the current trizonal organisation.

Mr Vyshinsky insisted upon a re-establishment of the four-power Allied Control Council which has not been functioning for almost a year. The West maintained that it was rendered useless by Soviet veto.

Why not make one more attempt, said Mr Vyshinsky as quoted by American sources who attended the Ministers' meeting to re-establish the Allied Control Council if the three power council has been such a success?

He was referring to replies given on Tuesday by Western Ministers that the Potsdam accord, which first set up the Allied Control today had been disastrous for Germany.

Mr Vyshinsky challenged the statement from the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, that the new West German state was a Democratic regime.

The Soviet Minister said that the suggestion to extend the Bonn constitution to all Germany was simply an attempt on the part of the Western Powers to take over all Germany.—Associated Press.

WALK OFF SHIP

Singapore, May 25.—Malay seamen walked off the Cable & Wireless Company's cableship retriever after a wages dispute today, thus delaying her departure to repair a cable between the Far East and Britain.

The ship had had an important call to mend the main Penang-Colombo undersea cable.—Reuter.

Lisbon, May 25.—Two persons were killed today when a Portuguese military plane crashed on the spot and the other died later of injuries.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Now Comes The Big Test

THE inevitable has happened, and Shanghai, richest prize in all China, has now fallen under the domination of the Chinese Communists. If the climax was longer in being reached than many expected, few were misled by the propagandist pronouncements that Shanghai's defences were even more impregnable than those of Stalingrad, and that the city would be defended "to the bitter end." It is reasonably fair to believe that the much-vaunted sanguinary battles for the outer defences of Shanghai were in reality but token engagements and rear-guard actions to permit the withdrawal of the bulk of the Nationalist forces to their only remaining escape route. The Nationalists adroitly built up a facade of resistance designed to fulfil the dual purpose of saving "face" and permitting the city to be taken over peacefully. In this respect they achieved, at least partial, success. But Shanghai's difficulties have not disappeared with the arrival of the Communists: on the contrary some problems assume new complications. One of the biggest tasks confronting the Reds is the feeding of Shanghai's millions; another is to maintain light and power services. Food will be the Communists' principal preoccupation. Six shiploads of ECA rice were scheduled to be delivered to Shanghai, but three of them have already been diverted to Taiwan and the others remain for the time being in Hongkong. The loss of this precious stable food commodity might add grave administrative burdens to the Reds in Shanghai, for if the masses are denied of their rice, they are going to be difficult to control. And whether ECA is prepared to permit its rice and

Tank Troops Coming Soon

London, May 25.—The first British tank troops ever to serve in China will leave for Hongkong in the trooper Dilwara on Wednesday.

They are men of B Squadron, Third Royal Tank Regiment, now at Bovington Camp. Contingents of Britain's 27th Anti-Aircraft Regiment, 27th Infantry Brigade to reinforce the Hongkong garrison next month, the War Office announced today.—Reuter.

Commons Still Asking About Hongkong

London, May 25.—Mr Leonard Gammans, Conservative, asked in Parliament today whether there was any suspicion that the murderer of two police inspectors in Hongkong on May 6 was Communist-inspired.

"Is this the beginning of something such as happened in Malaya about a year ago?" he asked.

The Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr David Rees-Wiliams, replied: "I am informed that there is no evidence of that. It was a bandit raid and had no political significance."

Asked what was being done to provide temporary air-strips in Hongkong or the New Territories, Mr Geoffrey de Freitas, Under-Secretary of State for Air, said the Air Commander-in-Chief, Far East, had reported that the airfield facilities were adequate for the aircraft at present based there.

When Mr Gammans asked if the Minister was satisfied that more modern aircraft than those already sent could land on the present airfield Mr de Freitas said that it would not be in the national interest to indicate any further steps which might be taken to strengthen the air defences.—Reuter.

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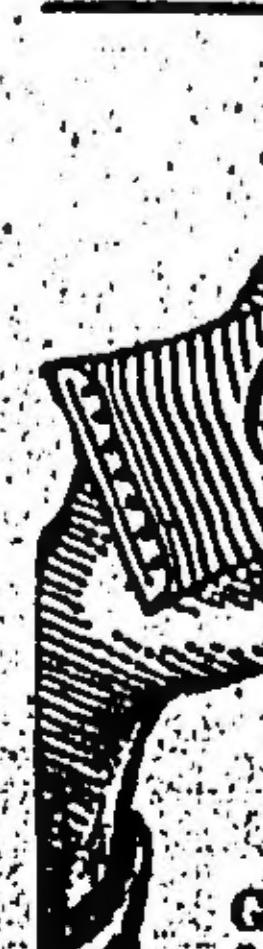
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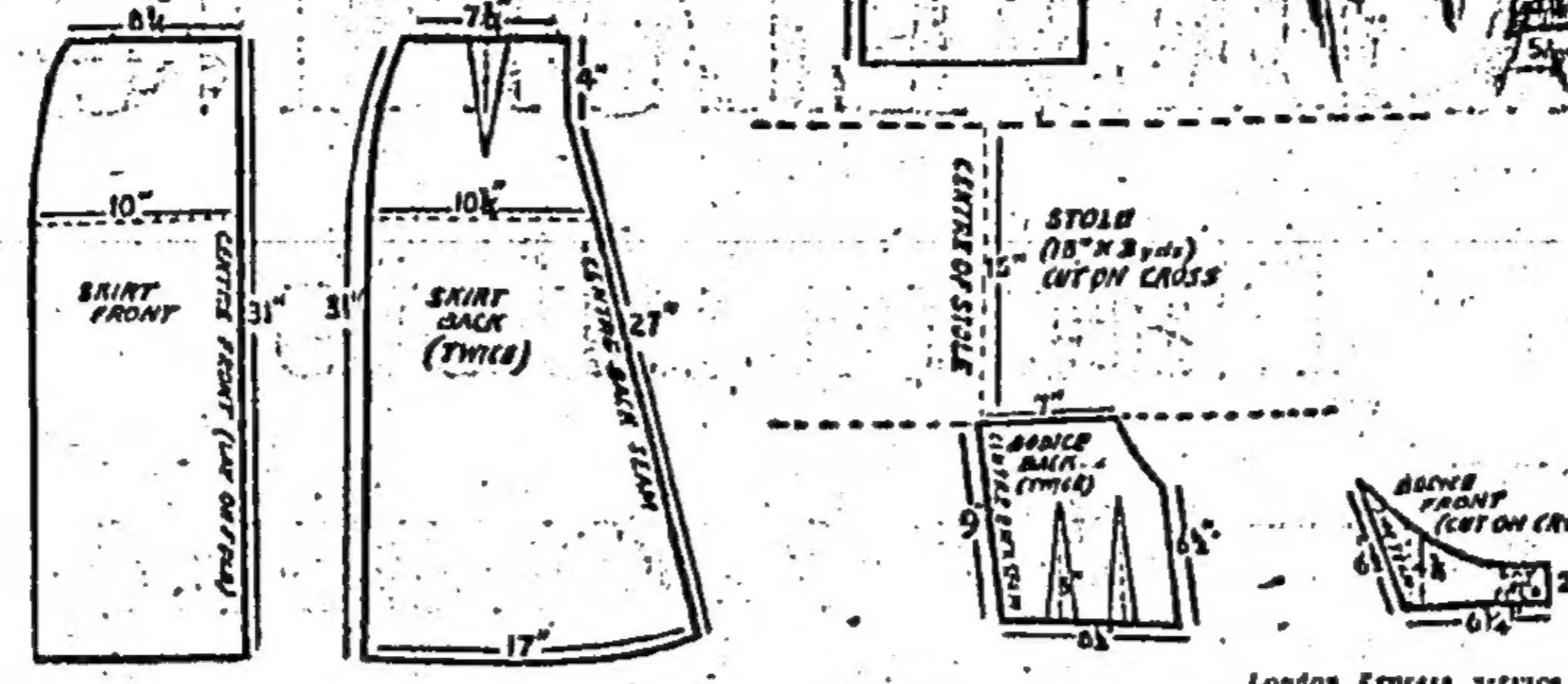
WOMANSENSE

★ STOLE plus PINAFORE for A Paris frock

HIGHLIGHTS of Paris-frock collections were the draped scarves and stoles. Sigrid has made an easy-to-follow diagram pattern of this smart black and white checked pinafore frock, by designer Jean Descomps.

You can make it with the shaped back piece or just as a plain skirt and stole. You will need four yards of 64in material. Measurements are for 34in bust, 26in waist and 37in hip size and no turnings have been allowed.

Front of skirt is fitted into the waist with a group of small tucks on each side. Patch pockets are placed well apart, covering the side seams,



London Studio Service

New York Matrimony Slump

By CLAIRE COX

New York.—Clara Lane, a lady who lives on love, would be blissful. If only she could find 1,000,000 big, strong men.

Mrs Lane already has a husband, so obviously she doesn't want any more men for herself. But business at her matrimonial service has been slumping badly, because of an acute shortage of bachelors.

The bitter truth, she discovered, is that there are 1,000,000 more marriageable women than men in these United States. That means 1,000,000 wall flowers never will be clinging vines, unless men materialise out of somewhere, and soon.

Global Manhunt

Mrs Lane has several tactics in mind for a global manhunt to benefit both the women who live alone and loathe it and her own morale. Either export 1,000,000 women or import an equal number of men, she said. Patient girls might be willing to wait for an invasion from Mars, but still bar them from elective office.

Behind the suffragist movement are three women's organisations, the Egyptian Feminist Union, the National Feminist Party and the Bint el-Nil (Daughters of the Nile).

But the whole suffragist campaign goes back to Madame Hoda Sharawi, who led Egyptian women out of their centuries-old home seclusion into street demonstrations for Egyptian independence in 1919 after World War I.

Unveiled Egyptian Women Clamour For Suffrage

By ZAKI SALAMA

Cairo. Inter-Arab Feminist Union and Egyptian women, who vice-president of the International Women's Organisation.

In 1923, Madame Sharawi headed the Egyptian delegation to the international women's conference in Rome. She and her followers left Egypt wearing their traditional face veils.

But on their return, they threw aside the veils as they stepped from the railway train at Cairo. That was the beginning of the end of women's veils in Egypt.

Next, Madame Sharawi fought successfully for the establishment of school for girls. Today girls go to college alone with boys. Then she persuaded employers that women have the right to work for a living. Now her followers are campaigning for the right of women to vote.

There does not seem to be any evidence that removal of the veils will help a case of arthritis which has been present for a long time—the kind that causes deformities of the joints.

When Tonsils Should Be Removed

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

SINCE the early twenties, it has been estimated, that one-third of all the surgical operations performed have been for the removal of tonsils and adenoids and, during that time, there has been a marked change in the attitude toward this operation. In other words, it is done less frequently and at a later age.

It seems to be generally agreed that the tonsils should not be removed in a child under six or seven years of age, unless there are such indications as an infection present in the tonsils themselves or other conditions which are endangering the child's health. Even when the tonsils have been completely removed, re-growth often occurs.

Swallowing Difficulty

There are only six or seven indications for removing tonsils. They are enlarged tonsils resulting in difficulty in swallowing, talking, or breathing. Frequent attacks of tonsillitis or abscess near the tonsil is another reason for removal. Chronic or long-continued inflammation of the voice-box, or bronchitis in the lungs, infection of the middle ear, or infection of the lymph glands in the neck usually require removal of the tonsils.

Persons who are carriers of diphtheria germs may have to have their tonsils removed in order to clear up this condition. An acute kidney infection or heart disease, which seems to be made worse by attacks of tonsillitis, and arthritis or inflammation of the joints in which there have been some changes in the tissues around the joints, may be benefited to a great extent by a tonsil operation.

The woman who has grey hair and blue eyes should never wear a grey hat. The black bonnet will make her white locks look beautifully silvery. The red head, with brown eyes will make her countenance more vivid if she will use shadows of jade green; they will make even more glorious her flaming tresses.

When Not To Be Removed

Tonsils should not be removed during an acute attack of St. Vitus Dance, rheumatic fever or infection of the heart valve. There does not seem to be evidence that removal of the tonsils will help heart valve infection, nor will their removal prevent heart disease or recurrent attacks of joint inflammation.

The tonsils should not be removed in persons with active tuberculosis of the lungs, diabetes, hemophilia or bleeding, or cancer.

In general, removal of the tonsils should be avoided, if possible, during an epidemic of infantile paralysis.

Household Hint

Clear lacquer may be used on brass ornaments to retard tarnishing. Clean the metal of all tarnish, wash in hot, soapy water and rinse in clear, hot, running water. Avoid excessive handling. Dry thoroughly and apply denatured alcohol (pin-on) to the entire surface. Let dry, then apply water-white nail lacquer. When the lacquer finish dulls, remove it with denatured alcohol and apply a fresh coat.

Beauty and the Budget



By ALICE ALDEN

FASHION: THAT offers beauty and smartness for all is very much in and of the American way. Of course, it's wonderful to boast a hat by one of the great designers, but many of us have to do more than think about the budget. Happily, that's not hard to do when the silhouette

Play Up Eyes With Make-Up



After carefully choosing the right shade of mascara, apply like this. Brush lashes up, then go over lashes with dry brush to eliminate clumps.

By HELEN FOLLETT

To powder the eyelids is a mistake. Touch them lightly with a little cream and the dress colours you wear? Eyes reflect the colours of their surroundings to a certain extent, certainly are affected by them. Let the brown-eyed lassie put on a hat with a red facing, and see what it will do to her orbs. It will make them soft and velvety.

The blonde with blue eyes puts up an attractive appearance when she touches the lids lightly with blue pigment. The right use of artifice will do a presto-change act. The one need is to use restraint.

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Never read in a dim light. Many women abuse their eyes. They don't give them half the care they give their household gadgets. When the eyes are weary they burn with irritation. The lids may redder, inflammation may set in. If that ever happens to you, see an eye-specialist.

Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

Famous New Orleans Dish

OVER the Everglades breakfast above the clouds, across the blue gulf of Mexico we flew, landing at Moisant Airport, New Orleans. "We are now in the gastronomical capital of the United States," I remarked, putting on my hat.

The Chef bowed. "I salute the city that has inherited the French cuisine."

Down a long corridor lined with small orange trees in huge pots, we went to the Mayor's office, where we were presented with the keys of the city and certificates of honorary citizenship of New Orleans, by His Honor de Lescop Morrison. All I could say was, "Thank you, sir," and the Chef responded, "Enchanté, Monsieur."

The keys of the city proved to be dainty gold replicas, engraved with the coat of arms of New Orleans and just big enough to pin on a lapel or wear on a charm bracelet.

Down St. Charles Avenue we were rushed to a luncheon at Antoine's to meet our hosts, the editor and officials of "The Item," with a number of special invited guests who proved to be leading food merchants of the city.

First Course

And what was the first course? You've guessed it—the famous oysters Rockefeller, baked in their shells on beds of rock salt. Their subtle secret was discovered by our Chef, who may tell us about it later. He followed perfectly broiled fillets of sole Amandine accompanied by souffle potatoes light as pouffes, hot French bread and a tossed salad of lettuce, cucumber and watercress.

Came the dessert—cherries jubilee. The coffee was dense, very hot, strong and black, in the New Orleans tradition.

"Madame," said the Chef, "this is a beautiful example of haute cuisine."

"And yet it is simple enough to adapt for our readers," I added.

Dinner

Panned Oysters
Fillet Fish Amandine
Souffle Potatoes
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Ice Cream with Cherry
Jubilee Sauce

Use vanilla or peach ice cream. Serve with jubilee sauce. Gourmetly this is made by soaking Bing cherries in rum and flavoring them. You'll like this new version.

Cherry Jubilee Sauce: Turn contents of a tin of bling cherries into a sauce pan; add 1/2 cup cinnamon and 1/2 cup orange rind; bring to a boiling point. Add 3 lbs sugar and stir in 1/2 cup cornstarch or arrowroot; stir smooth in 1/2 cup cold water. Cook until thick and boiling. Serve hot.

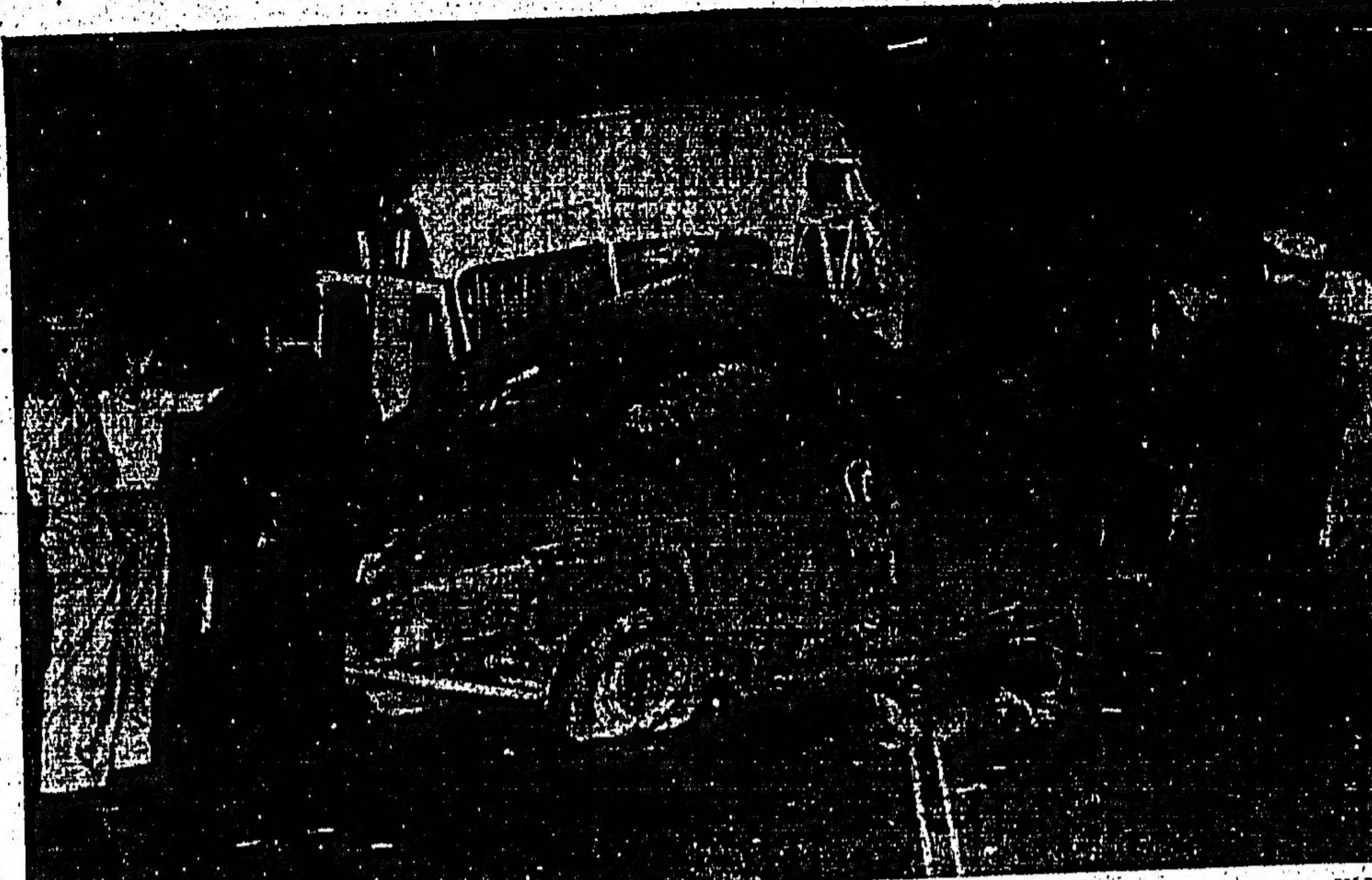
Peppered Oysters: Turn

With bacon Oysters for each person blow 6 small oysters or 1 large oyster out in halves. Add 1/2 cup powdered tartaric acid to

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



20,000th D.P.—Little Janina Vaitkevicius, holding her seven-month-old brother on their arrival in New York, was the 20,000th DP to enter America under the Displaced Persons Act of 1948. The children were born in Germany of Lithuanian parents.



FATAL—Two army men, left, describe to a State Policeman how a bus in which they were riding collided with a car near Atlanta, Georgia. The body of Napoleon Fuller, 27, driver of the car, lies beside the wreck. Fuller's wife, Ethel, 25, was also killed, and 12 soldiers were injured. Police say Fuller lost control of his car and it crashed head-on into the bus.



READY TO DIVE—David Curtis, 13, prepares to try a dive at the Naval dry-docks in San Francisco, California. He wrote to the mayors of the English towns, Penzance and Falmouth, that he planned to search for sunken treasure in that area.



GOING OVERBOARD—Oliver, Lord Mayor of Monkey Town at the Overton Park Zoo in Memphis, Tennessee, tests the temperature of the water on a hot day. If it meets with his approval, His Honour may decide it is suitable for the tender monkey skins of his companions, and officially open their swimming pool.



VISITORS—On their way to Europe are the orchestra leader Andre Kostelanetz and his wife, the singer Lily Pons. They sailed on the Queen Mary and, with their three Tibetan terriers shown above, expect to visit France, Italy and Switzerland during their visit.



DIFFERENT—Seeking to relieve the sombre black of an evening gown, a Hollywood designer came up with this idea. The silver sequins have been "appliqued" to the model's skin and are not attached to the gown.



MEXICAN MODELS—Landing at LaGuardia Field, New York, are Henrietta Rello, left, and Toni Hello, models from Mexico. They came to New York to be in a fashion show staged as part of a Mexican fiesta.



JET PRODUCTION—The powerful Turbo-Wasp jet engine takes shape on the assembly floor of an Allison plant in Hartford, Connecticut. This powerful engine, which develops a thrust of almost 9,000 horsepower at 650 miles an hour, was originally designed by Rolls-Royce, Ltd., in England.



TAKING OVER US DESTROYERS—The American destroyers McCall, left, and Buchanan were turned over to the Turkish Government at Istanbul under the US aid programme. The Turkish flag is now unfurled on the ships, which will remain the Giresun and the Gelibolu.

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MAO UNLIKELY TO BE A CHINESE TITO

BY SYDNEY BROOKES

Stromboli. LEADERS of China's Communists intend to follow orthodox Communist policy. They are aware of Western hopes or expectations—that China will produce "deviations" of the Tito variety, but they are guarding against this.

That, at least, is the impression gained from Chinese Communists who came to Prague for the "overflow" peace congress in April.

Security police guarded the delegation closely.

To Western journalists, they were practically unapproachable.

A number of representatives of Western newspapers and news agencies who did contrive to speak briefly to the Chinese were warned off by attendant detectives.

But some information about the delegation became available from other sources and one member of the delegation made a policy statement to Czech Communist reporters.

All the information available from various sources indicated that the Cominform's policy for "people's democracies" is to be attempted by the Communists in China.

It was at first believed here that the Chinese delegation was made up almost wholly of Chinese recruited for the purpose in Moscow. But Western journalists here now believe that this report may have been a story started to divert attention from the Soviet Government's willingness to allow Chinese Communists to reach the outside world over Russian territory.

Politically, he insisted that the Chinese Communists "would learn from the experience of the Soviet Union".

All orthodox Communists in the European people's democracies frequently acknowledge that all wisdom and practice derives from "the experience of the Soviet Union".

Professor Tsien stated that the new China would be "a people's democracy working towards socialism."

Czechoslovak Communists have been using the same formulae this past year to describe their own situation.

The theory as described here is that the proletariat, under the leadership of the Communist party, following the concepts of Marx, Lenin and Stalin, and benefiting by the experience of the Communist Party (Bolshevik) of Moscow, first of all defeats "the reaction", then establishes a dictatorship, and organises a people's democracy.

After the Prague congress had ended, it was learned here that a number of the Chinese delegation had in fact reached Prague through Russia, travelling from Chinese Communists headquarters. One member of the delegation had quite recently taken part in Communists-Nationalist negotiations in China.

A people's democracy is only

the first stage of development towards Communism. The second stage is socialism in which the State owns and controls everything. The Soviet Union is now regarded as having reached this stage.

although it was possible that disorganized pockets would survive after that date.

He said that one of the "hopes of the reactionaries" was that the Communists in China would not be able to organize its administration.

But their capabilities, he claimed, had already been proved in Manchuria, Peking and Tientsin. They were able not only to conquer but to reconstruct speedily.

Immediate planning provided for the early establishment of a Nationalist Consultative Body which would decide on setting up a central government to be led by the working class of China and by the Communist Party. Other "democratic parties and organisations" would be included in this government.

These other parties will give political scope to non-Communists, as long as they agree, fully, with everything the Communists do.

One of the early tasks of any people's democratic government is to extend industrialisation. Lenin and Stalin have taught that Communist parties can only fully rely upon an industrial proletariat.

Pensatrices can be allied to an industrial proletariat, but the possession of land is always a potential danger. It gives birth to capitalism.

In Eastern and Central Europe, the development of agriculture into "socialist forms" is one of the most pressing problems for Communism. The Cominform letters of last year revealed how much importance the Communists attach to "correct policy" on this question.

The denunciation of Marshal Tito included many references to mistakes he was alleged to have made in dealing with the Yugoslav peasants.

Chinese Communists, it appears, have been well schooled on this point. Professor Tsien told that their first task in China "was to transform it into an industrialised country. In all this we shall learn from the experiences of the Soviet Union."

In the Soviet Union, the land was nationalised before the organisational forms had been prepared to deal with it. Stated policy for other countries is that they should work through the progressive organisational forms for agriculture until the time is ripe for nationalisation.

Professor Tsien was optimistic about the possibility of securing peace in China — by eliminating the Nationalists — within a short period.

He said that the Kuomintang armies would be destroyed within six or twelve months

Ingrid Is Tired Of It All

By EVELYN IRONS

His fiancee, jealous of his film embraces with Ingrid, rushed from Salerno to the island Easter to see what was going on. "But now tutto è calmo (all is quiet)," he told me.

Most of the cast are cleverly picked local "types" and Rossellini, who talks to the camera crew in a mixture of Italian and English, and to Ingrid in English helped out by French, directs them in their own dialect.

Outside, near a rough stone wall where lizards darted and flickered in the burning sun, Ingrid, rolling up her trousers to get her legs tanned, sat on a camp chair and talked to me between shots.

The sun and the hot breeze have turned Ingrid's skin to a warm apricot. But she looked tired and worried.

I asked her whether she issued a signed statement countering the headlines in the Italian Press about herself and Roberto Rossellini, under whose direction she is making a new film there.

The statement followed a three-day conference with her husband, Dr. Peter Lindstrom, who came from Hollywood to meet her at Massa, Sicily; and it said that after work on the picture ended she would meet her husband either in Sweden or the U.S.A.

The film was held up for five days because of these negotiations. Now work has begun again, and the first "rushes" have arrived from Rome.

I saw shooting resumed in a white fishermen's house by the sea. Bergman wore grey slacks, blue rope-soled shoes, and a white striped shirt several sizes too large for her, borrowed from Rossellini.

Ingrid plays Karin, a Baltic refugee who marries a handsome fisherman from Stromboli. The handsome fisherman, 21-year-old Mario Vitale, ex-Nazi baker, discovered by Rossellini in Salerno, has his real-life troubles, too.

—(London Express Service).

IF SYDNEY STANLEY HAS TO BREAK STONES

—By JAMES BARTLETT

SCHLOMO BEN CHAIM—the man who was Sydney Stanley before he arrived in Tel Aviv—has said that he is willing to be sent by the Israel Government to break stones...

HE has made the offer knowing that Israel wants 100,000 families working on the soil in the next five years, that

HE will need six months' training if he is sent into the rocky, barren lands where the new settlers are taking shape...

PIONEER

HE will live in a hut on the outskirts of a kibbutz (a settlement where about 100 families live a communal life), a moshav (where settlers keep to private farming), or the latest kind of settlement, a mesubim shulut (where living arrangements are private but all work is shared).

HE will probably choose a kibbutz—since he is now a zealous Zionist pioneer—where he will work all day under a scorching sun for no money, along with former doctors, lawyers, and other professional men who believe that only in this way can Israel be self-supporting.

HE will learn the hard way to make a living in company with about 40 other newcomers who are housed in each wooden prefabricated hut.

—(London Express Service).

HE will find that his wife (when she returns from Tilling the soil or working in the vineyard) will probably complain that she doesn't like life in a kibbutz—for most of the complaints about this kind of communal living in Israel have come from the women...

HE will have to send his four-year-old daughter, Zorina, every day to the motherly woman who takes care of all the children in the kibbutz...

SIMPLICITY

HE can forget about that suitcase containing £200 of clothing which he said he lost at the docks, because there is no room for wardrobes or trunks in a kibbutz—the settlers wear only workmanlike clothes.

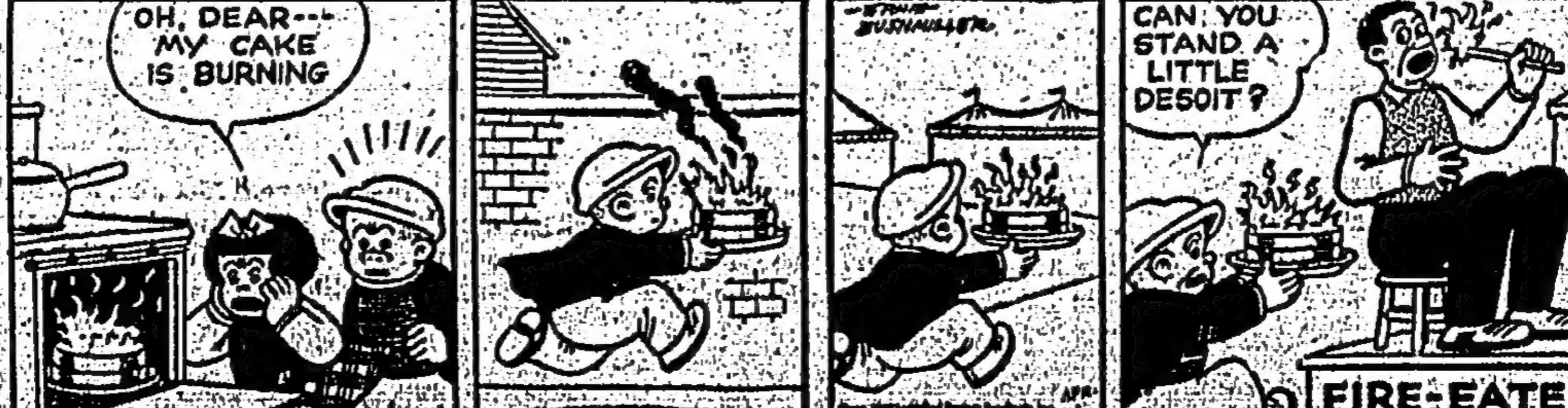
HE might decide—after his year's apprenticeship—that a place of his own in a meahuk shulut might be best—then he can apply for a Government grant of just over half an acre of ground to build his hut (bare walls, bed, couple of tables, few chairs, meagre cooking utensils, no entire equipment).

HE then might get a Government bug, 50 seeds, 500g of seed potatoes, a few hundred plants, a £20 loan, and one milk goat.

HE might have second thoughts about all this and stay in Tel Aviv, where he will never grow corns on his manicured Park Lane hands.

—(London Express Service).

NANCY Flare Layer



By Ernie Bushmiller

'WHITE KING' TOILET SOAP for BEAUTY!



NOW IT'S CRICKET!

AS MOST OF OUR LEADING FOOTBALLERS HAVE GONE TO FAR AWAY PLACES WITH STRANGE SOUNDING NAMES, THE OPPORTUNITY ARISES TO WELCOME BACK THE MEN OF CHARACTER TO THE SPORTING STAGE... FIRST - A BIG HAND FOR WALTER WADDEE AND HIS NEW ZEALANDERS FOR THE PROMISE OF A BRIGHT SUMMER.

NEXT - A PEGAN OF PRAISE FOR JOHN LANGRIDGE

NOT ONLY FOR GETTING ALONG THE COAST, BUT FOR DABBLING THERE.

FINALLY - A VAST AND GENEROUS HAND FOR TWO OF THE SEASIDE'S BENEFICIARIES.

DENIS COMPTON AND SUNDAY'S EDDIE WATTS

(London Express Service).

COUNTY CRICKET

NORMAN NEVER STARTLES HIS FORMER COUNTY

Dismisses Robertson, Edrich & Compton For Four Runs

London, May 25.—Norman Hever, the 24-year-old London-born fast medium bowler, whom Middlesex allowed to join Glamorgan a year ago, startled his former County at Lord's today by dismissing Jack Robertson, Bill Edrich and Denis Compton in five overs at a personal cost of four runs.

Middlesex had four wickets down for 32 runs in under an hour against the County Champions, but then they fought back with great determination and made a splendid recovery to have 322 for nine on the board when stumps were drawn.

The Middlesex recovery began when George Mann (50) and Harry Sharp (68) added 72 for the fifth wicket and continued with a sixth wicket partnership of 112 between Sharp and Alex Thompson (89).

The best batting performance of the day came from Surrey's allrounder, Harry Squires. Although not his highest innings, Squires played one of the best innings of his fine career in making 210. He did not give a chance in his stay of four hours 40 minutes. His cover drives were superb and he hit three sixes and 23 fours.

Excellent bowling and steady batting put Yorkshire in a strong position against Essex at Leeds.

Another notable bowling success by the 18-year-old colt, Brian Close, marked the Essex innings. Chiefly by off spin attack round the wicket he claimed five wickets for 58 and brought his tally in the five matches since he came into the side to 27 wickets at a cost of about 21 runs apiece.

Oxford Do Well Against New Zealanders

Oxford, May 25.—Oxford University fared well on the first day of their three-day cricket match against the New Zealand touring team here today. They scored 247 runs and by the close of play had taken three New Zealand first innings wickets for 67 runs.

Oxford's total was chiefly due to some fine bat-

ting by Hofmeyr, who scored 95 not out, and C. Winn, who made 58.

Hofmeyr would have reached his century against the tourists had not a fine spell of spin by the right-arm off-spinner, Rabone, who in three overs took four wickets for 13, finished off the Oxford innnings.

Altogether he took five for 60.

The New Zealanders had a few shocks when they opened their innings, for the first three wickets fell at four, 10 and 41.

THE SCOREBOARD

The close of play scoreboard read:

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FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Lays Off Twice To Set This Contract

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

ONE thing that makes bridge popular is that a player never becomes so good that he is perfect. Sometimes a tournament player who is not classed as an expert will make a play that is missed by one who is considered tops in the country. That occurred on today's hand in the recent Vanderbilt Cup tournament of Charles S. Lochridge, Len Hazen, Harry Abeles, Morris Elias and Larry Hirsh, all of New York City.

This hand occurred in one of the earlier matches and Robert Abeles of New York City, sitting North, made a play that set the contract.

Both teams reached the same contract and the ten of hearts was opened at both tables. Abeles won the trick with the ace of hearts and returned a heart, which East won with the queen. Now East laid down the

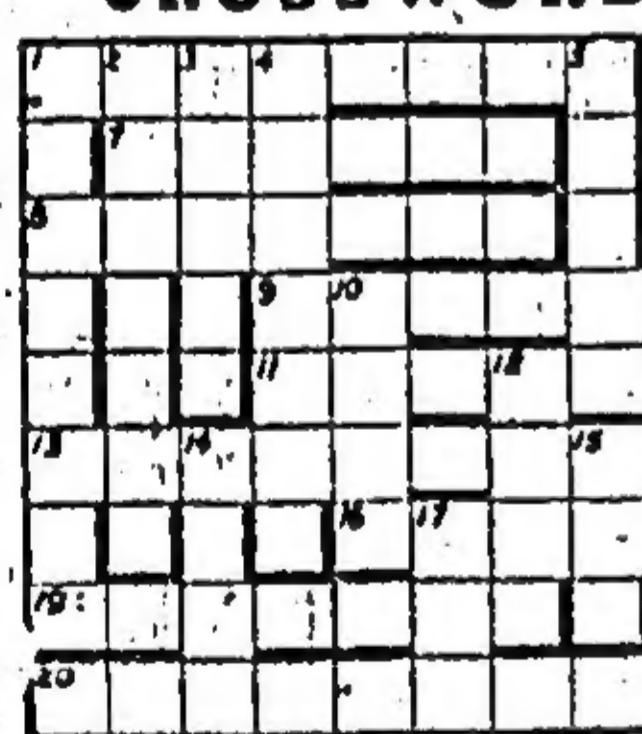
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Tournament—Both vul.	
South West North East	
Pass Pass 1♥ Double	
Pass 2♦ Pass 2N.T.	
Pass 3N.T. Pass Pass	
Opening—10	

King of spades and Abeles let it hold the trick. When the queen of spades was led, he again let it hold. He did not win until the third round of spades was led. Then he returned a heart. Declarer was in, but there was no way that he could get into dummy.

When the hand was played at the other table, the expert sitting in the North position won the first heart trick with the ace and returned a heart; but when East played the king of spades, North won with the ace.

He led another heart, East won, cashed the ace of diamonds, then cashed the queen of spades. When the jack fell, all East had to do was to cash the king of hearts, lead a small spade over to dummy's nine-spot and cash the balance of the diamonds.

CROSSWORD



Across:

1 and 5. It makes men a rich gent. (5)

7. Sort of squeak that could be a cluck above. (6)

8. Sonogram, commissioned, to keep. (6)

9. Cover. (6)

11. You'll usually find that the government has eight years. (6)

13. Turn of the tide. (6)

15. Found in some sage puddings. (3)

17. Anhui in the grating. (3)

18. Sustains of yesterday's puzzle. (4)

19. Treadmill. (4)

20. It is sufficient to make any ball make a perfect entry. (6)

21. A very quiet, limp-wrist. (7)

24. It's not this that intrigues the code of fair play. (7)

25. State. (Acronym). (6)

26. Outer cover. (4)

27. Turn of the tide. (4)

29. Found in some sage puddings. (3)

30. Anhui in the grating. (3)

31. Sustains of yesterday's puzzle. (4)

32. The tangos. (3)

33. South American shrub. (3)

34. Notwithstanding. (4)

35. Very silent. (6)

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French Premier May Resign

Paris, May 25.—A friend of Premier Henri Queuille said (in a statement to The Associated Press) today that the head of the French government was "thinking" of resigning.

The friend said that the Premier had telephoned President Vincent Auriol and told him he was considering resigning, because of the attitude taken in some quarters towards his government.

M. Queuille's cabinet has been under fire for several weeks because of a US\$250,000 deficit in the budget.

M. Queuille held a conference this morning with the Financial Minister, M. Maurice Potsche.

Several days ago M. Potsche made a statement in the National Assembly blaming state-owned railways for the present condition of the budget. He said there was a lack of central control on expenditure by the railroads.

SCHUMAN'S POSITION

M. Queuille has been Premier since October 11, 1948—seven months and 14 days. He has been Premier under the Fourth Republic longer than anyone except M. Paul Ramadier, who lasted eight months and 10 days.

Strong efforts are being made by the Popular Republicans Party of Foreign Minister Robert Schuman to keep the government intact until after the Big Four meetings in Paris.

"What sort of business is this to be attacking the government while he in turn is representing France at the most momentous international meeting since the war?" was being asked in the corridors of the National Assembly on Tuesday night.

At the same time close friends of the Premier are pleading with him to keep his resignation in his pocket and seek a compromise.

Political pressure is being put on M. Queuille from two sides. The Moderates want him to reduce government expenses by cutting costs in nationalised industry. The Socialists say they will quit his cabinet if he does.—Associated Press.

Gurkhas Join Karen

Rangoon, May 25.—Burma Radio reported today that 200 Gurkhas had joined Karen insurgents at Papun in the Salween Hills east of Pegu.

It said that the Army was well aware that the Gurkhas had been "involved" into joining.

The 3,000 Gurkhas in the Burma Army are of Burmese descent and most are claimed to be loyal to the Government. The Radio said that 60 Gurkhas were with a band of 400 Karen embroiled by White Band volunteers while trying to cross the Sittang River eastwards into the Tenasserim strip.

The battle was still raging fiercely tonight with the volunteers receiving reinforcements, it added.

The same source reported that 200 Karen were massing near Indawgau, the Pegu area and claimed that Government troops had beaten off rebel attacks on the Myitnge railway bridge south of Mandalay.

Further north, the Burma Army Radio said 60 rebels were killed and 50 captured in a three-hour battle near Meiktila following attacks by 300 rebels on local bridges.

Government losses were put at two killed and two wounded.—Reuter.



EVERY STUDENT watched from the best viewpoints

Camera Watches The Surgeon . . . And In The Next Room . . .



CLOSE-UP, round the television screen—London Express Service

Lab. 'Rebels' Lectured

London, May 25.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, and his deputy, Mr Herbert Morrison, lectured "rebel" Labour Party members today on the need for continued unity within the Party.

—two—and—a—half-hour private meeting of the Parliamentary Socialist Party was called this morning on a "matter of discipline," after a revolt among back-bench members over the Ireland Bill.

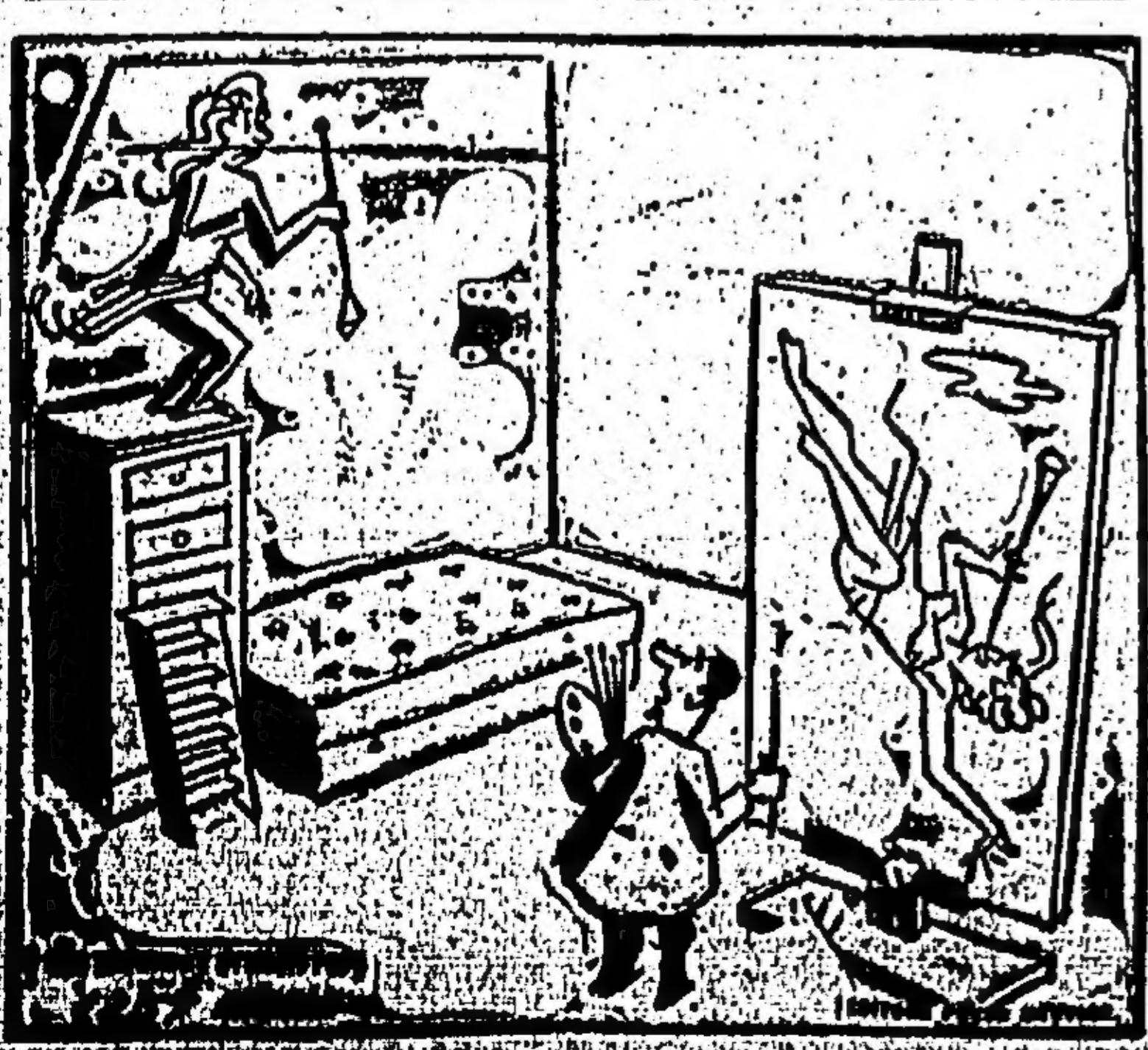
A brief press statement issued after the meeting recorded that a "general discussion" had taken place on the "situation arising out of the action of some members of Parliament voting against the Government despite the issue of three-line Whips."

Mr Maurice Webb, Chairman of the Parliamentary Socialist Party presided.—Reuter.

REFUSED PERMIT

Frankfurt, May 25.—The United States Military Government has refused Max Reitmann, West German Communist leader, a travel permit to attend the Czechoslovak Communist Congress in Prague, the Communist Party headquarters here announced today.

Two other prominent West German Communist leaders, Hans Schirmer and Kurt Muetzenich, had also been refused permits.—Reuter.



Meeting place—Miss Tamm

BURIED AMONG THE HEROES

Washington, May 25.—The broken body of James Forrestal was laid to rest among the nation's heroes at Arlington National Cemetery today. President Truman headed the throng of top Government officials who paid final respects to the former Secretary of Defense in a ceremony held in the massive marble amphitheatre behind the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines rendered full military honours, including two 19-round artillery salutes. Afterwards the body was buried with only the family and a few close friends present.—United Press.

GENOCIDE CRIME

Taking part in the crime of genocide in Russia, that is, the mass extermination of Jews, gypsies and others by shooting, gassing, and drowning, this being part of the planned biological extermination of the Jewish race ordered by the Hitler Government under the title of "the final solution of the Jewish problem."

Complicity in the forcible evacuation of the civilian population before his retreating army after complete destruction of their homes.

Forcible deportation of Russian civilians into Germany for slave labour.

Von Manstein was found to be fit for trial after a recent medical examination.

His former chief Field-Marshal Von Rundstedt (73) and Colonial General Strauss (69) have both been excused trial because of their health.

Four German generals were originally held for trial but the former Field-Marshal Von Brauchitsch (69) died in October last.—Reuter.

Returns To Spore

London, May 25.—Air Marshal Sir Hugh Lloyd, British Air Officer Commander-in-Chief in the Far East, left Northolt Airport today by a special York plane to return to Singapore. He had been attending a London conference of the Chief of Air Staff.—Reuter.

Madrid, May 25.—General Franco will appear at a long awaited Cabinet reshuffle when he returns from Spain. Spanish Presses have usually well informed sources said there today Franco will visit Barcelona, have a week's

holiday in the Eastern Pyrenees, then return to Madrid.

Mr. Rees-Williams also told Mr. Wyatt that the new Cabinet would be formed in the next few days.

Mr. Rees-Williams also told

Bombardment Of Commons Questions About Malaya

London, May 25.—Mr Thomas Reid, Labour, asked the Colonial Secretary in the House of Commons today to what extent the Malayan Chinese and Malays co-operated with the authorities there in resisting extortion, blackmail, sabotage and murder by Communist elements.

Mr. David Rees-Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied: "The Malays from the beginning have given the Government whole-hearted and courageous cooperation,

"As a result of singling out the Chinese for ruthless intimidation and threats of murder, the bandits are still obtaining from some of them funds and other assistance. There are, however, indications that the resistance is growing and the rate of co-operation with the authorities has considerably improved."—Reuter.

Mr. Rees-Williams also answered questions on the following subjects:

WAR DAMAGE

War Damage: Mr Philip Piratin, Communist, asked how the £20 million granted to Malaya "for war damage" was to be allocated to the various claimants. Would equal rights be given to Malayan claimants as to British and to private claims as to business claims?

Mr. Rees-Williams: "The grant of £20 million, being a contribution towards a scheme of greater magnitude, will not itself be allocated. The British Government's offer does not envisage any racial distinction and makes special provisions for private claims."

Trade with Indonesia: Mr. Waller Fletcher, Conservative, asked what representations the Colonial Secretary had received from Chambers of Commerce or other commercial bodies in Malaya or Singapore on the recent agreement for direct trade between Britain and Indonesia.

Mr. Rees-Williams: "None.

But I understand that the Chambers of Commerce have made certain representations to the Governor of Singapore."

Mr. Fletcher: "Are you aware that the negotiations by the Board of Trade of bilateral agreements, which harm trade in Singapore to a very great extent, without prior consultation with the local interests, is a very bad practice and upsets the whole local administration?"

Mr. Rees-Williams: "I cannot accept that suggestion because the Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, on May 3, told you exactly what the purpose of these conversations was. It was not in any way to interfere with the entrepot trade at Singapore."

Mr. Fletcher: "Whatever the purpose may have been, the practice of not taking local people into consultation has been very bad and the result has been detrimental to the local interests of all races."

Mr. Rees-Williams: "I have had no evidence of that."

The Malayan Sterling Balance: Mr. Rees-Williams said that Malaya's sterling balance was £115 million at the end of 1945 and £105 million at the end of 1948.

Civil Service: Mr. Rees-Williams told Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, Labour, that in January, 1949, there were two Malaya in Class "IB" of the Malayan Civil Service, and one in Class "IA." There were no Malays of Staff rank in the Administrative Service.

Mr. Wyatt: "Would you explain how you propose to implement our pledge to give self-government to Malaya if we do not allow the inhabitants of the country to take over some of the chief posts in the Civil Service?"

Mr. Rees-Williams: "You have not given full weight to the fact that Malaya is a Federal Constitution and practically all the posts in the State Service are already staffed by Malays."

"It is, of course, our intention to bring the people of the country ever more into these posts of an important nature."

DISSATISFACTION

Mr. Wyatt then asked how many Chinese in Singapore occupied posts in the Colonial Administrative Service equivalent to the Grades 1B and 1A in the Malayan Civil Service, and how many Chinese in Singapore occupied posts of any higher status.

Mr. Rees-Williams: "At the present time there are no Chinese occupying such posts."

Mr. Wyatt: "Will you take into account the very widespread dissatisfaction there is among the many Chinese of Singapore that they cannot get into a worthwhile post in the Civil Service?"

Mr. Rees-Williams: "I do not accept that view of the feeling in Singapore, but the creation of a Public Service Commission to facilitate the recruitment of local people has been agreed."

Mr. Rees-Williams also told

Mr. Wyatt that the new Cabinet would be formed in the next few days.

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